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Subject: Safety and Compliance Evaluation of  
Ah-Train, Inc., of  
Burbank, California

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We are currently reviewing the fitness of **AirTrain**, Inc., to conduct domestic scheduled passenger operations as a certificated air carrier. **AirTrain** is a **newly-**formed company which currently does not hold any FAA or DOT authority. If granted the authority it seeks, the company proposes to institute scheduled passenger operations between Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, and Detroit utilizing **115-seat** Douglas DC-g-30 aircraft.

In conjunction with our review of Air-Train's fitness, we would appreciate obtaining a safety and compliance review of this company, including whether it has applied to the FAA for the necessary Part 121 certification, and, if so, the progress of that certification. In this regard, if any problems have come to light regarding the company's certification, proposed operating personnel,\* or service plan, please so state. Also, if the FAA is aware of any other information regarding this company or its key personnel of which we should be aware, please advise.

If you need further details on this company, please contact Janet Davis of my staff on 366-9721. Thank you for your prompt consideration of this request.

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